

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The Vulnerable Child Protective Act would amend the existing state ban on female genital mutilation to also include puberty blockers, cross-sex hormones, and sex reassignment surgeries when administered to children struggling with gender dysphoria. Like FGM, these medical interventions are almost always irreversible; some render the patient sterile or with lifelong sexual dysfunction, while others unnecessarily mutilate healthy body organs.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no anticipated fiscal impact on the general fund because it requires no expenditure of State funds nor is there an impact on local governments.

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